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<TEXT>I do not want to pay more for my telephone service! I urge you to reject a flat fee proposal that would change how contributions are made to the Universal Service Fund. I am concerned that this proposal could make my current service unaffordable.

Under the flat fee proposal you are considering, people who make few long distance calls would pay the same as people or businesses that make many calls. Does this make sense? Why should low-volume and primarily residential customers bear the same universal service fund burden as a high-volume residential or business customers? As a rural customer I already pay extra for poor service.

This is unfair!

I am a senior citizen and use my wireless phone for safety, security and convenience. I don't want to lose these benefits so that big businesses can pay less than their fair share. Thanks to the current administration they already reap very generous tax benefits which those of us on fixed incomes cannot match! I urge you to reject the proposal to move the USF collection system to a flat-fee.

Keep the USF Fair!

Sincerely,

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